Robbins Island Renovation \$4 Million

Robbins Island is the hidden gem of our community, with 55 acres of greenspace bordered by Willmar Lake on one side and Foot Lake on the other. It currently has a swimming beach and soccer fields with the potential to become a regional destination for outdoor family activities for all ages.

Planned enhancements:

- (2) four season shelters
- Changing room / restroom facility
- Road alignment & parking enhancements
- Trail additions & improvements

Swansson Field Improvements \$3 Million

Swansson Field Recreational Complex is a high traffic, well used community asset in need of expansion and updates to accommodate growing demand. It is used for competitive youth and school baseball and softball, with greenspace for soccer games, outdoor events, picnics and more. It also includes a skate park and walking/biking trail along its perimeter which connects to our larger trail system.

Planned enhancements:

- Create a plaza with shelter and playground
- Re-align blue ball field and add lights
- Lighting improvements
- Access to Swansson from 18th Street
- Road improvements
- Additional parking

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2016 **Local Option** Sales Tax Question

Shall the City of Willmar, Minnesota (the "City"), be authorized to impose a sales and use tax of one-half of one percent and an excise tax of \$20 per retail sale of a motor vehicle to pay for \$10 million in principal capital expenditures plus associated debt financing costs for the following projects in the City

- (1) the betterment of the Robbins Island Park and Recreational Area totaling \$4 million,
- (2) the betterment of the Willmar Civic Center totaling \$3 million, and
- (3) the betterment of Swansson Field complex totaling \$3 million?

Impact of this sales tax initiative would result in a \$5 increase in taxes per \$1,000 spent on taxable items.







Willmar Civic Center Upgrades \$3 Million

The Willmar Civic Center has two sheets of ice and is home to local hockey, curling and figure skating teams and clubs. This unique facility has enriched our community and established Willmar as a popular destination for tournaments, bonspiels and recreational events.

Planned enhancements:

- Replace outdated refrigeration system
- Additional locker rooms & meeting space
- Create indoor playground

For questions, go to: www.willmarmn.gov/local-option-sales-tax-faq